NEWS RELEASE

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CALTRANS REMINDS CANDIDATES: NO SIGNS ON STATE HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY

REDDING – Caltrans reminds all candidates registered in the upcoming election, their representatives and/or campaign personnel and campaign workers for ballot measures, of the policy regarding placement of "Temporary Political Signs" **within view of a state highway**.

Section 5405.3 of the State Outdoor Advertising Act allows an exemption for the placement of "Temporary Political Signs" along certain state highways. **These signs are not to be placed within the state right of way.** If the signs are within view of a state highway, candidates MUST file a Statement of Responsibility form with Caltrans.

A Temporary Political Sign meets the following criteria:

- 1. Encourages a particular vote in a scheduled election.
- 2. Is placed no sooner than 90 days prior to the scheduled election and is removed within 10 days after that election.
- 3. Is no larger than 32 square feet.
- 4. Has a statement of responsibility form filed with the Department of Transportation certifying a person who will be responsible for removing the signs.

State law directs the Department of Transportation to remove unauthorized temporary Political Signs and bill the responsible party for their removal.

For more information or copy of the form "Statement of Responsibility" for Temporary Political Signs, please go to: http://www.dot.ca.gov/oda/political_signs.htm. To contact District 2 to verify the boundaries of Caltrans right of way, contact 225-3426.

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